

Abstract

Automatic Teller Machines (A.T.M.) will be equipped with the option of holding a second personal identification number (P.I.N.). This second personal identification number will give customers the opportunity to discreetly contact emergency authorities of crimes in progress. Users who successfully enter their second personal identification number will activate a communication device within the A.T.M. that will contact local authorities with the message that immediate help is requested. This empowers users to alert police without giving any indication to hostile strangers that such help is being requested. Activating the emergency response system through the use of the secondary personal identification number will also slow down the ATM machine enough to make a statistical difference in a crime in progress while being undetectable to most common day criminals.